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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN REACTION TO PANAMA CANAL TREATIES AND  
TREATIES SIGNING CEREMONY

1. ONLY SUBSTANTIVE GOB COMMENT ON THE PANAMA CANAL TREATIES  
HAS COME PRIVATELY FROM FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA.

2. DURING BRAZIL'S NATION DAY RECEPTION, SEPTEMBER 7,  
SILVEIRA SINGLED OUT CHARGE FOR A DEMONSTRATIVELY  
WARM AND CORDIAL GREETING. HE HAD FINALLY HAD A CHANCE,  
SILVEIRA SAID, TO REVIEW THE TREATIES THAT AFTERNOON. THEY  
WERE A FIRST-RATE PROFESSIONAL JOB. ONE COULD HAVE NOTHING  
BUT ADMIRATION FOR THOSE WHO NEGOTIATED AND DRAFTED THEM.

3. DURING ARRIVAL CEREMONY AT BRASILIA AIRPORT, SEPTEMBER 8,  
VICE PRESIDENT ADALBERTO PEREIRA DOS SANTOS, WHO WAS MET BY  
CHARGE AND POLITICAL COUNSELOR, AMONG OTHERS, EXPRESSED  
GENERAL SATISFACTION AND PLEASURE WITH HIS VISIT TO  
WASHINGTON, BUT OFFERED NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON HIS  
MEETINGS. (IN AN AUDIBLE ASIDE TO FOREIGN MINISTER  
SILVEIRA, HOWEVER, HE SAID HE HAD BEEN PARTICULARLY  
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IMPRESSED WITH THE ARGENTINE DELEGATION AND SPOKE POSITIVELY  
OF THE DESIRABILITY OF CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN BRAZIL AND  
ARGENTINA.) CHARGE TOOK THE OCCASION TO EXPRESS TO THE  
VICE PRESIDENT AND SILVEIRA THE USG'S APPRECIATION FOR  
BRAZIL'S SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF WASHINGTON (STATE  
214604).

4. NEITHER GOB NOR ANY PUBLIC FIGURE HAS SO FAR COMMENTED PUBLICLY ON TREATIES OR SIGNING CEREMONY. GIVEN BRAZIL'S GENERAL PERCEPTION THAT THE TREATIES RELATE TO A MATTER PRIMARILY CONCERNING THE U.S. AND PANAMA, WE ARE NOT TOTALLY SURPRISED.

5. USIS, OF COURSE, HAS BEEN REPORTING BRAZILIAN PRESS COVERAGE OF THE TREATIES AND SIGNING CEREMONIES.  
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